

California Regional Water Quality Control Board

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California Brea Partners, LP c/o Bosc Equities Attention: Waad Nadhir 719 Griswold Street, Suite 530 Detroit, MI 48226

AMENDMENT TO THE CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY STANDARDS CERTIFICATION FOR THE LOFTUS CHANNEL MODIFICATION PROJECT, CITY OF BREA, ORANGE COUNTY (ACOE REFERENCE NO. 200800232 - JPL)

Dear Mr. Nadhir:

Thank you for your letter, dated December 17, 2008, requesting an amendment to the Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Standards Certification ("Certification") issued for the Loftus Channel Modification Project in the City of Brea on August 8, 2008. Based on your December 17, 2008 letter, and a telephone discussion with your agent the same day, the requested amendment is to change the area of proposed discharge of fill from 0.28 acre to 0.628 acre.

As explained to Regional Board staff on December 17, 2008 and in your letter of the same date, the reason for the change is that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ("Corps") has exerted jurisdiction over a greater width of Loftus Channel for purposes of permitting under Clean Water Act Section 404, resulting in a discrepancy between the discharge proposed under the Corps' permit and the discharge authorized in the August 8, 2008 Certification. The requested change will correct this discrepancy. The length of the Loftus Channel that will be affected will remain unchanged.

In consideration of the above, the August 8, 2008 Certification is hereby amended to authorize the discharge of fill to 0.628 acre of Loftus Channel. The mitigation for the proposed fill was based upon the area of Loftus Channel under the jurisdiction of the Department of Fish and Game, which is substantially greater than that of the Corps and which remains unchanged. As a result, the mitigation proposed and conditioned in the August 8, 2008 Certification is acceptable for the increased area of fill.

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Should there be any questions, please contact Adam Fischer at (951) 320-6363, or Mark Adelson at (951) 782-3234.

Sincerely,

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